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For the concise explanation of relevance for non-English document JP-2001-34210, the Examiner is referred to the accompanying English abstract attached thereto, and to the counterpart U.S. Patent No. 6,502,946 B1.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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